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PRIORITY DIR CITE SALV 5296
[redacted] AMMUG
REF SALV 5294

1. MEETING [redacted] AND [redacted] AT HOTEL SAFESITE LASTED 1015 TO 1440 HOURS 27 SEPTEMBER. [redacted]

2. SO FAR NEITHER [redacted] NOR [redacted] AWARE OF THIS OR REF MEETINGS. [redacted] AND PRESIDENT KNOW [redacted] IS [redacted] TARGET AND, AS HOS ... ARE, HAVE COOPERATED IN PREVIOUS ATTEMPTS TO CONTACT HIM AND OTHERS INVOLVED IN EXPLOITING AMMUG LEADS. IN ADDITION [redacted] HAS BEEN CONTINUING TARGET FOR [redacted] FOR LONG PERIOD AND LIKELY TO ... SO. HENCE THERE IS HIGH RISK [redacted] COULD DISCOVER [redacted] CONTACT IN FUTURE HANDLING ... GIVEN [redacted] IN THESE OPS BY PRESIDENT AND [redacted], SUCH DISCOVERY COULD DAMAGE [redacted] AND ALL [redacted] RELATIONS. FOR FOREGOING REASONS, ALTHOUGH [redacted] MUCH DESIRE TO MAINTAIN THIS [redacted] OF UNILATERALLY, ... DEEM IT PRUDENT TO INFORM [redacted] AND PRESIDENT, REQUESTING THEY ... NO RECORD OF RECRUITMENT AND SIMPLY ACCEPT FUTURE REPORTS AS ... FROM TRUSTWORTHY SENSITIVE SOURCE, LEAVING MANAGEMENT TO [redacted].

3. IN LONG INTERVIEW [redacted] GAVE CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF INFO ON ... ACTIVITIES AND HIS RELATIONS WITH OTHER ... PARTIES AND

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[illegible]ORMEN. HIS INFO SEEMS SUBSTANTIALLY TRUE ALTHOUGH HE HAS WITHHELD [illegible]HER INFO. UNDERSTANDABLY HE IS CONCERNED ABOUT ENTRAPMENT, [redacted] [illegible]PLIANCE WITH AGREEMENT TO REMUNERATE HIM, SECURITY LEAK LOCALLY [illegible]ICH HE FEARS COULD RESULT HIS DEATH. HE INDICATES WILLINGNESS [illegible]NTINUE IN PARTY ACTIVITIES SALV, ATTEND CONFERENCES, STRENGTHEN [illegible]TACTS WITH OTHER COMMIE PARTIES, STRIVE GAIN HIGH PARTY POSTS, ALERT FOR INTEL ON GUERRILLA WARFARE AND [redacted] ACTIVITIES.

INFO FROM [redacted] INCLUDES FOLL:

A. HE ARRANGED MOSCOW TRAVEL RECENTLY [redacted] FOR FOUR [illegible]LVS, LETTING THEIR PARENT GROUPS MAKE SELECTIONS. THOSE [illegible]LECTED WERE RENAN RODAS LAZO, PEDRO RAUL FARFAN MEDRANO, [illegible]ERTO ARMIJO NAVARRETE AND ONE OTHER WHOSE NAME HE COULD NOT [illegible]CALL.

B. HE BELIEVES PCES CENTRAL COMMITTEE INCLUDES SHAFICK HANDAL, [illegible]RGE ARIAS GOMEZ, RAUL CASTELLANOS FIGUEROA BUT SAYS HANDAL [illegible] ONLY ONE WHOM HE KNOWS ON PCES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

C. PARTY PSEUDOS FOR SELF, HANDAL AND CASTELLANOS RESPECTIVELY ARE [redacted] PEDRO AND FERNANDEZ. HOWEVER HANDAL PSEUDO NOW CHANGED [illegible] ANOTHER WHICH COULD NOT RECALL.

D. HE AND JOSE MANLIO ARGUETA BOTH WERE TRAINED BY [redacted] INTEL; [illegible]HAD GW TRAINING ALSO.

E. PCES HAS ESTIMATED 600 MEMBERS, ALTHOUGH THIS HIS GUESS RATHER [illegible]N HARD INFO. WELL ORGANIZED IN SAN SALV BUT WEAK IN COUNTRY [illegible]ANIZATION DESPITE MANY CAMPESINO MEMBERS.

F. FUAR PRACTICALLY INACTIVE.

G. PCES HAS SUPPORTERS FOR CHICOM LINE AS WELL AS SOV LINE BUT [illegible]FERENCES HAVE NOT CAUSED SPLIT. LEADERS FAVOR SOV LINE.

6. RODNE DALTON NOT MEMBER OF PCES NOW BUT PCES AND STUDENTS ARE CONCERNED ABOUT HIS DISAPPEARANCE. THEY ARE TRYING EXERT PRESSURE ON GOVT THROUGH [illegible], WOULD BE WILLING ACCEPT HIS EXPULSION FROM COUNTRY RATHER THAN HAVE HIM LANGUISH IN SOME LOCAL JAIL. GOVT HAS NOT SAID ANYTHING ABOUT DALTON ARREST OR LOCATION.

7. HE A PCES MEMBER CONTINUOUSLY SINCE 1956. HIS SUSPENSION WAS ORDERED BECAUSE HE TOOK ASYLUM IN MEXI EMB 28 JANUARY 63 BUT WAS NOT CARRIED OUT BECAUSE HE GAVE SATISFACTORY EXPLANATION OF CONDUCT ON ARRIVING MEXI FEW DAYS LATER.

4. IN LINE PARA 1 REASONING BELIEVE BEST TO INFORM [Police liaison] [redacted] MEETING WITH HIM SCHEDULED 0900 HOURS LOCAL TIME 28 SEPTEMBER. REQUEST HQS VIEWS BY 0830 HOURS.

5. NEXT [redacted] MEETING 1900 HOURS 29 SEPTEMBER. NEXT [redacted] MEETING MORNING 28 SEPTEMBER AFTER [Police liaison] [redacted] MEETING.

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[redacted] (asset) [illegible] EVENING 25 SEPT. [redacted] (CIA officer) [illegible]
[redacted] (asset).

Contact in Salvador [illegible] ... [illegible]